

MINUTES OF THE SENATE
Department of English

20 November 1981

3:00-4:25 p.m.

Present: Moldenhauer (Chair); E. Bowden, Cable, Duncan, Endres, Farrell, Frost, Heinzelman, Kinneavy, Kruppa, Meyer, Reed, Renwick, Rodi, Ruszkiewicz, Saldivar, Simon, Spivak, Webb, Westbrook, Whitbread.

Absent: Flowers, MacKay, Megaw, Ohle

1. There were no corrections or additions to the minutes of the last meeting.
2. Spivak moved that the Governance Committee proposals concerning the Executive Committee Constitution and Senate be moved to the #2 position on the agenda. MOTION PASSED: 19-0-1.
3. Endres reported that the subcommittee on Lecturers met and plans to draft a proposal that the course load for Lecturers be reduced to 3/3. The draft will be circulated to Senate members for discussion at the next meeting. The subcommittee also discussed Witte's instrument for evaluating student expectations.
4. Kruppa moved that the next Senate meeting be scheduled for 4 December 1981 at 4 p.m. with Undergraduate Course Committee recommendations as the first agenda item. MOTION PASSED: 20-0-0.
5. Spivak reported on the proposals of the Governance Committee which concerned changes in the Executive Committee Constitution and an addition to the Senate rules. A discussion followed during which amendments were suggested. These changes were moved by Spivak:
 - in Section II. (A) of the Executive Committee Constitution, change "two members drawn from the ranks of Assistant Professor and Instructor" to "two Assistant Professors";
 - in Section III. (A) (1), sentence one of the Executive Committee Constitution change "members of the Department's faculty" to "members of the Department's professorial ranks"; and in the next sentence change "This includes Professors, Associate and Assistant Professors, and Instructors" to "This includes Professors and Associate and Assistant Professors";
 - in Section III. (C) (3), sentence 1 of the Executive Committee Constitution, change "remaining Assistant Professors and Instructors" to "remaining Assistant Professors";
 - change sentence 2, paragraph 2 of part I ("Provenance and Accountability") of the description of the Departmental Senate (Department of English Organization, p. 6) to read: "Notice of all actions of the Senate will be distributed in departmental mailboxes within two working days after the Senate meeting and such actions will be final unless there is a declaration of non-support in the form of fifteen signatures of any members of the professorial ranks, Instructors, AIs, or TAs in the aggregate, submitted to the Chair within five working days from the distribution of the announcement."

MOTION PASSED 15-4-2.

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6. Whitbread moved that the next agenda item, Teaching Load Credits, be postponed until a subsequent meeting. MOTION PASSED: 20-0-0.
7. After lengthy discussion on the subject of teaching awards, Farrell moved as a resolution of the Senate that the following be conveyed to the President:
"The Senate commends President Flawn for establishing the President's Associates' Awards in Teaching Excellence for English Composition. The Senate hopes that in the future it will also be possible, through such awards, to acknowledge that the teaching of core courses in literature is likewise an important function of a university in its attempt to provide our students with a liberal education." Further discussion resulted in a motion by Kinneavy to refer to a subcommittee (Farrell, Kinneavy, Reed) the drafting of a resolution for the Senate's consideration. MOTION PASSED: 19-1-0.
8. Spivak moved, after brief discussion, that the Senate adopt the Glossary included in the Governance Committee's report of October 1980. MOTION PASSED: 20-0-0.
9. Farrell moved that Kinneavy be added as a member of the Telephone Subcommittee. MOTION PASSED: 20-0-0.

MEETING ADJOURNED 4:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sherri Goode, Administrative Secretary
to the Chairman